

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please hold in abeyance all requirements for corrections to the drawings until the case has been allowed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 - 11 without prejudice.
Please add claims 25 - 45, as shown below.

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-- 25. (Added) A shark repellent chemical slurry conglomerate comprising at least one molded and hardened shape that creates a slow melting characteristic configuration, said shape comprising no less than two thirds sodium lauryl sulfate by volume, and no more than one third sodium sulfate by volume.

-- 26. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 which includes in its original mixture as much as 50% by volume of a water soluble binder.

-- 27. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 26 wherein said water soluble binder is a polyvinyl acetate resin latex.

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-- 28. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 further comprising a waterproof, dried-on coating of a liquid caulking material.

-- 29. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 28 wherein said waterproof, dried-on coating of liquid caulking material is a polyurethane-based caulking.

-- 30. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 further comprising at least one outer, dried-on liquid coating of a water soluble composition.

-- 31. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 30 wherein said outer, dried-on liquid coating of a water soluble composition is a polyvinyl acetate resin latex.

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-- 32. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 further comprising a partially imbedded wire that protrudes from the surface of said slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate.

-- 33. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 wherein said conglomerate is a unitary longitudinal member having an outer dimension and further comprising restrictive areas therealong said restrictive areas having smaller dimensions than said outer dimension.

-- 34. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 33 formed with bulkheads interspersed along its length said bulkheads having at least one hole therein.

-- 35. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 25 said chemical conglomerate being at least partially coated with a dried waterproof sealant for restricting dispersion of said chemical conglomerate into water,

said coating acting as a container for enclosing said chemical conglomerate.

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-- 36. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 35 wherein said sealant comprises a polyurethane based caulking.

-- 37. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 35 wherein said container is of a soda pop type designed metal can with a pop top opening tab, creating a hole in the lid when activated.

-- 38 (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 35 wherein said container is a plastic container with a pop top hinged plastic lid portion, creating a small opening in said lid when activated.

-- 39. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 35 wherein said container comprises a lid and at least one aperture disposed in the surface of said container lid communicating with the opposite side thereof.

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-- 40. (Added) A shark repellent chemical slurry conglomerate comprising at least one molded and hardened shape that creates a slow melting characteristic configuration, said shape housed in a water insoluble container and comprising no less than two thirds sodium lauryl sulfate by volume, and no more than one third sodium sulfate by volume.

-- 41. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 40 wherein said water insoluble container includes much as 50% by volume of a water soluble binder.

-- 42. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 41 wherein said water soluble binder is a polyvinyl acetate resin latex.

-- 43. (Added) The slow melting, shaped, shark repelling chemical conglomerate of claim 40 wherein said insoluble container is mechanically mounted together with at least one other identical container, said containers having water soluble closures that melt in water at differing rates.